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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA  
INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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GUATEMALA FOR RSO; PANAMA FOR RSS AND OIC/RTC FROM SY/OPS/T

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJE.T: VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

REF: GUATEMALA 1605 (NOTAL)

1. REPLACEMENT BY SY OF ALL SY-CONTROLLED VEHICLES CURRENT-  
LY ASSIGNED YOUR POST IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THIS TIME DUE TO  
LIMITED RESOURCES AND WORLD-WIDE DEMANDS.

2. RECOMMEND THAT FOLLOWING VEHICLES BE CONSIDERED FOR DIS-  
POSAL:

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YEAR/MAKE/MODEL SERIAL NUMBER INV. NO. ARMORING

69 CHEVROLET IMPALA 164699YO44859 UNKNOWN FULL ARMOR  
69 CHEVROLET IMPALA 164699YO44895 UNKNOWN FULL ARMOR  
69 CHEVROLET IMPALA 164699YO44519 UNKNOWN FULL ARMOR  
71 CHEVROLET BISCAYNE 154691T233869 1S9108 FOLLOW CAR  
71 CHEVROLET BISCAYNE 154691Y140318 1S9109 FOLLOW CAR

71 CHEVROLET BISCAYNE 154691T234128 1S9110 FOLLOW CAR  
71 CHEVROLET BISCAYNE 154691T233926 1S9111 FOLLOW CAR  
71 CHEVROLET BISCAYNE 154691Y140342 1S9112 FOLLOW CAR

3. IF YOU CONSIDER THAT REPLACEMENT OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING VEHICLES IS ESSENTIAL, CABLE NARRATIVE JUSTIFICATION. FOR ALL STATE VEHICLES (SY- AND ST-CONTROLLED) AT POST, INDICATE INVENTORY NO., YEAR-MAKE-MODEL, DATE OF RECEIPT, TOTAL ODOMETER MILEAGE, CONDITION, CURRENT MARKET VALUE, AND ASSIGNMENT (USE). IDENTIFY VEHICLES RECOMMENDED FOR REPLACEMENT AND STATE FUNCTIONS WHICH CANNOT BE PERFORMED IF THEY ARE NOT REPLACED. DESCRIBE DESIRED REPLACEMENT VEHICLES (BROCHURES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST), AND IF ANY ARE TO BE USED WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY FOR SHARED PURPOSES, ESTIMATE PROJECTED PERCENTAGE OF USE BY AGENCY.

4. WE ARE ADHERING TO A REPLACEMENT STANDARD OF 60,000 MILES, BARRING EXTREMELY COGENT JUSTIFICATION. WE HAVE THEREFORE SCHEDULED 351003 FOR REPLACEMENT CONSIDERATION IN FY-78 IN VIEW OF ITS LOW MILEAGE.

5. 671018 IS A 77 DODGE STAKE TRUCK. ETD NEW YORK IS APRIL.

6. YOUR REQUEST FOR TWO ADDITIONAL VEHICLES DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE MERIT. AVERAGE MONTHLY USE IS NOT EXCESSIVE AND, IN FACT, IS LESS THAN THE WORLD-WIDE AVERAGE OF 1,500 MILES PER VEHICLE. WE ARE NECESSARILY COMPELLED TO CONSIDER THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF ALL EMBASSY VEHICLES, SY-PROVIDED AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ST-PROVIDED, IN EVALUATING AND DETERMINING THE SIZE AND CHARACTER OF POST VEHICLE COMPLEMENTS. AS WE INDICATED IN 76A-4548, EMBASSIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO EXAMINE WHETHER THE "MIX" IS RESPONSIVE TO CURRENT AND, IMPORTANTLY, PROJECTED REQUIREMENTS. AS YOUR VEHICLES BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR REPLACEMENT, YOU MAY DESIRE TO RECOMMEND CHANGES IN TYPES OF VEHICLES.

7. EXAMINATION OF YOUR INVENTORY OF ST- AND SY-CONTROLLED VEHICLES REFLECTS FOUR MANUFACTURERS WHEN ONE WOULD SUFFICE FOR PASSENGER VEHICLES AND TRUCKS. STANDARDIZATION ON ONE MANUFACTURER SHOULD ENHANCE MAINTENANCE AND PARTS MANAGEMENT. WE WILL FORWARD A STANDARDIZATION TRAINING PACKET ON REQUEST.

8. ALL REPLACEMENT VEHICLES WILL RECEIVE OPAQUE ARMOR INSTALLATIONS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT POST. PROTECTION AFFORDED BY THIS SYSTEM IS THE SAME AS POST FULLY-ARMORED VEHICLES EXCEPT FOR ROOF AND FLOOR AREAS WHICH ARE UNPROTECTED.

LEXAN INSERTS FOR SIDE AND REAR WINDOWS WILL PROVIDE ONE  
ROUND PROTECTION AGAINST PISTOL AND SUBMACHINE GUN FIRE.  
LEXAN INSERTS WILL BE INSTALLED UPON POST REQUEST THROUGH  
RSO.

9. 1971 CHEVROLET IMPALA, SERIAL NO. 164691C183049 COM-

PLETELY REHABILITATED IN 1975 PRIOR TO ASSIGNMENT YOUR POST.  
1974 CHEVROLET BEL AIR, SERIAL NO. 1K69Y4Y153698 ASSIGNED  
AS SY FOLLOW VEHICLE.  
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